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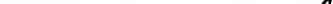
**REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
 - a. Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
 - i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Rely Brief previously filed on
 - ii. Other
 - b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other
2. Miscellaneous
 - a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
 - b. Other
3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
 - a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 23-0280
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) # 08/03/2004 HVUDNG1 00000023 09903899
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 - iii. Other Filing Fee for Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement 770.00 0P
 - b. Check in the amount of \$ 950.00 enclosed
 - c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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